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1. As of the 1 July 1953, the SCC Transport Department had recalled all its representatives from the various RBDs (Reichsbahn-Direktion). Most of these officers have already been ordered back to the USSR.

2. this move was connected with the abolition of the SCC, and the new Soviet High Commissioner's Office will have no Transport representative in the RBDs. All RBDs now provide the Ministry for Railways with daily reports covering various happenings; these are translated in the Ministry for Railways and forwarded on to the Soviet Transport Department.

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3. No one in the Ministry for Railways seems to be absolutely certain about the new title to be given to the Soviet Transport Department. A part of the mail goes to the Transport Department, as it did previously, and one part goes to the the Transport Department of the High Commissioner's Office. On enquiry in Karlshorst, the Ministry for Railways was informed that the correct title would be communicated early in August.

4. The following changes of personnel in the Soviet Transport Department have taken place during 1953:

Colonel Shishov, Deputy to the Chief of the SCC Transport Department, returned to the USSR in March 1953. He was succeeded by Colonel Sadovnikov as First Deputy and Colonel Chernyshov as Second Deputy.

Captain Vovk returned to the USSR at the end of May 1953.

Lieutenant-Colonel Obuchovski returned to the USSR at the beginning of July 1953.

5. Both Vovk and Obuchovski served in Colonel Kalbushkin's department.

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